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Each inventor's residence, mailing address and citizenship are as stated below next to their name.
I believe the inventors named below to be the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

METHOD OF REACTING CARBOXYLIC ACIDS

the specification of which:

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OR

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